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PERSONAL AND SOCIETY.

Miss Mary Janny has returned from Waynesville, O. Mrs. John B. Wood has returned from a visit to Cedar lake. Mr. Clarence Foster has gone to Chicago to spend a few days.

Mrs. J. H. Greenstreet has returned from a visit to friends in Pendleton. Mrs. Nettie Ransford and Mrs. Samuel Stephens will go East next week. Miss Emma Messing left, yesterday, for Spring Lake, Ill., to visit relatives. Mr. and Mrs. George R. Sullivan have returned from a short visit to Mackinaw. Mrs. O. H. Hasselman will go to Evanston, Monday, to visit her sister for a few

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Zell left Friday for Waynesville, O., on a visit to Mr. Zell's

Mr. W. T. Barnes will go to New York soon to spend several weeks at some of the Miss Margaret O'Mahlia will go to Lexington, Ky., to-day, to spend a week with Mr. and Mrs. Ovid Butler will go to Wawasee, next week, to remain through

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Mayer and son are a Greensburg to spend Sunday with Mrs. Mr. Thomas Cobb, who has been visiting his family in this city, has returned to Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hutchinson will cave, to-morrow, for New York and the

Rabbi Mayer Messing will go to Macki-aw the middle of the month to escape Miss Kate Metcalf and Mrs. Melissa Blodgett have gone to Martinsville to spend

Mrs. Charles Warner and Mrs. Carl Earl, of Lafayette, are the guests of Mrs. G. Mrs. George W. Sloan and daughter Mary will go to New York, next week, to make

Mr. A. A. McKain and family will leave, pext week, for Washington and Baltimore Mr. and Mrs. Earl M. Ogle will go to Wisconsin on a hunting and fishing trip Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hollenbeck will leave Monday for Massachusetts to visit their Miss Mary Fletcher has returned from

it. Louis, where she has been visiting rela-

Mrs. Henry Corey, of Shelbyville, is the quest this week of Mrs. James W. Harper, of North Delaware street. Mr. James L. Mitchell will leave, next week, for New York and Atlantic City, to three or four weeks.

Judge Reinhard and Mr. James E. Mc-cullough will go East, next week, to spend few weeks at the seashore. Miss Rose Foster gave a small company esterday in honor of Miss Thaxton, of Virginia, Miss Miller's guest. Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Thompson left, yesterday, for Atlantic City, where they will spend the month of August.

Mr. Charles Mayer will go to Fisher's island, N. Y., next week, to join his family, who are there spending the summer. Mrs. John Parker and son came, yester-day, from Kansas City, to visit Mrs. Park-er's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wildman. Miss Corella Taylor entertained a few friends last evening in honor of her guest, Miss Violet Coen, of Chicago, and Miss

Daisy Ayler, of Marion. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Smythe and daugh-er Myrtle, Misses Kate and Nathalie Con-ey, Miss May Louthan and Mr. and Mrs. McGrew will go to Boston next week. Mrs. Frederick Hanson went yesterday to Mrs. J. E. Scott's to be her guest for a week or more. Mrs. Scott gave a party to Wildwood last evening for Mrs. Hanson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Cooper have returned from New York. Mr. and Mrs. James Mc-Clure Wiley, whom they accompanied to New York, sailed from that port and landed

Mr. and Mrs. John Harrison, formerly of this city, who are now living in Terre Haute, are building a new home on North Pennsylvania street, and will return here within a few months to reside. Mrs. Mary Lilly left, yesterday, for her old home in Pennsylvania to make a visit, and later she will go to St. Clair Flats to visit Mrs. J. O. D. Lilly. Mrs. Mary Lilly

Miss Van Valkenburg and Miss Julia Brown, who are in England, will be guests at a house party to be given at Hardwick House St. Edmund's, where Mr. and Mrs. Storey (Emma Eames) will also be guests the week of Aug. 11.

There is a swimming class of ladies who go several times a week to practice, and a number of them are experts. Mrs. Frederick Knefler, Mrs. G. R. Sullivan, Mrs. W. J. McKee, Mrs. Lavalette Dicky, Miss Kuhn, Miss Rice, Mrs. Charles Merrill and

Mrs. W. D. Wiles, Mrs. Leonora Smith and daughter will leave soon for the Jersey coast to spend several weeks. Mrs. and Miss Smith will spend the winter in New York, and Mrs. Wiles will go to Tacoma, Wash., to spend the winter with her laughter, Mrs. Albemarle Tousey.

Quite a party will leave Monday for Bloomingdale Glens. There will be Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller and daughter, Laval-ette, and guest, Miss Thaxton, of Virginia; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Merrill, Mrs. Freder-ick Knefler, Miss Rose Foster, Miss Julia Graydon, Misses Julia and Deborah Moore, Miss Macy Coughlin and Master Lex Dicky. Miss Mary Sloan gave an advertisement party Thursday morning for her guest, Miss Marion Johnson, of Walnut Hills, Cin-cinnati, and yesterday afternoon she gave a small company in honor of the same guest. The several rooms of the house a geography party. Each guest was given a card bearing the nick names of different States, cities and countries. Opposite the name the correct name of the State, city or country was to be written, and the one writing the greatest number was rewarded with a prize. One prize was a gold enameled coffee spoon, and the other a silver hat pin. Miss Sloan was assisted in entertaining by Miss Harriet Cleland. Guests from out of town were Miss Wilson, of Noblesville, who is visiting Miss Adams and Miss Morrison, of Denver, visiting Mrs.

State Liquor League Meeting. A meeting of the State Liquor League has purpose of electing officers and delegates to the national convention, which meets in Washington, D. C., in October. An effort is to be made to have the 1896 meeting held

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HONORS TO GOV, CHASE

SERVICES IS MEMORIAM HELD YES-TERDAY AT BETHANY.

Eulogies by Eloquent Speakers-Acton Worshipers Listen to Dr. Sims -Officers Elected.

The memorial services for the late Ira J.

Chase, which were held yesterday morning, were, perhaps, the most tender and pathetic exercises ever held at Bethany Park. The affectionate place held by Mr. Chase in the hearts of all, and especially of those of the Christian Church, with whom he was most intimately connected, was revealed by the remarks of those who took part in the exercises. Mrs. Chase and her son Frank were the guests of the assembly during the day, and attended the services. The pulpit of the tabernacle, where the exercises were held, was draped with the stars and stripes, and suspended from it was a life-like picture of Mr. Chase. A. M. Atkinson acted as chairman of the meeting and in stating the occasion of the gathering, said that it was one which arouses all that is gracious, tender and beautiful in life. He stated that the first memorial meeting ever held by the association was that for O. A. Burgess, held at Island Park. The next was for the Rev. Love H. Jameson, but a few years ago, and only last year similar services were held for A. I. Hobbs, At that meeting Ira J. Chase had

made a very touching prayer. After G. B. Van Arsdall, of Wabash, read a passage of scripture and a fervent prayer had been offered by E. T. Lane, of Lebanon, several appropriate songs were rendered by a special choir. W. D. Starr, of Warsaw, was then introduced and made a short talk. He said, in part: "Why do you love Ira J. Chase? Why do men revere his memory? Is it because he filled so large a place in the affairs of men? Three men were once gazing upon that greatest of all wonders, Niagara Falls. One was an artist. and, with brush and pigment, transferred to canvas the glories of the scene before him. He succeeded and his work lived. Why? Because he made it so true to life. The second of the three, a poet, with pencil and tablet, set forth in verse the sweet And he, too, succeeded, and the third, a mathematician, worked also with pencil and paper, and, as a result, to-day the city of Buffalo receives her motive power from

"Jesus Christ was the greatest wonder that ever lived, and he who copies that life closest, will be the artist, poet and mathematician that succeeds. That is why Ira J. Chase lives to-day. He was a true poet in copying the beauties of the life of Christ. Because he drew the noblest influence from the life of Christ; because, wherever he went, he revered the name of his God. That is why you love him."

C. H. Brown, who was a Representative the time that Mr. Chase was Governor of Mr. Chase was related and connected with the political affairs of the State, he never the political affairs of the State, he never forgot the religion of Christ, and that out of his bountiful heart he never refused an opportunity to do good. L. E. Murray, of Ladoga, dwelt on the humility, frankness and generosity of the man, even while he was an actor in the political arena. L. L. Carpenter, who had been intimately acquainted with Mr. Chase for the last thirty years, said that their long friendship had never once trembled. He told of the time while Mr. Chase was preparing for his entrance to the political world, and the time after he had entered, and said that he wanted to testify that he had always found him faithful to his God, and that he always besought his fellow-workers in politics never to deviate from that which was right, even to place him in position which he so desired.

only formal address. He said, in part: "Amid the beauties of Crown Hill, beneath the starry flag of the land he loved, and among the illustrious dead of our great State, sleeps a friend and brother, whose name calls the Bethany family together to-day in tender and loving memorial. He was one of the busiest men, an indefati-gible worker, fulfilling that Scripture which says, 'What thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might,' His energy and ability raised him from humble surroundings to a high place in the church and in the State. As a patriotic Christian citizen, he be-lieved that he might serve the Nation and the State as well as the church, and wheth-er as a private soldier in the ranks of the er as a private soldier in the ranks of the army of the Union or the executive head of a great State, he believed he was doing of a great State, he believed he was doing God's service. But in the midst of military, political and official labors, he did not forget the church and Christian duty. When the Lord's day came, the turdens and cares of high office were laid aside and he was found somewhere preaching the Lord's gospel. He was the brother of all men. His generosity exceeded his ability and no good cause ever appealed to him in vain if it was

cause ever appealed to him in vain, if it was possible for him to help.

"He was the children's friend, winning at once their confidence and friendship, sharing their childish joys and contributing to their enjoyments. I delight, also, to think of him as a benefactor of young men, whom he encouraged to aspire to

"His life and his death alike, in spite of all, proclaim his sincerity and the honesty of his purposes. The last Scripture he quoted in public was, 'I am ready to be offered and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have kept the faith hereeforth there is laid. for me a crown of righteousness.' He fell bravely battling in the King's service and he fell with words of faith, and hope, and victory on his lips."

Mr. Atkinson then read a letter from N. J. Aylesworth, of Auburn, N. Y. He explained that Mr. Aylesworth had long been associated with Mr. Chase, first as a school teacher, and later in the ministry. Mr. Aylesworth was, for a number of years, pastor of the Christian Church at Angola, and later at Fort Wayne, this State. He is now confined to his room with an afflic-tion from which he will never recover. The etter was as follows:

"From a friendship with Brother and Sister Ira J. Chase, extending over a period of more than a third of a century, I am deeply interested in the success of the Chase memorial fund. Brother Chase's own Chase memorial fund. Brother Chase's own liberality, his unswerving devotion and commitment to the work of the ministry, and his long and valuable services to the cause, together with the unfortunate condition of his estimable wife, (Mrs. Ghase is almost totally blind), render the undertaking to provide her with a comfortable home a most fitting and worthy one.

"When I last saw Brother Chase he spoke, as he had done on other occasions, of a as he had done on other occasions, of a matter that caused him some concern. He said that there was another occupation said that there was another occupation which was not only congenial to his tastes, but in which he felt he had the qualifications to succeed, and which would yield him a desirable financial return. In view of the future welfare of his family, to whom he was most tenderly devoted, the question often pressed itself upon his mind, whether he should not leave the ministry and seek to make the needed provision for them in some other way, but he said he had never been able to feel that he would be justified in ceasing to preach the gospel. His excellent health, giving promise that he should be long spared to his family, seemed to give him added assurance in his chosen course.

"From an intimate association with him, in which his inner life lay open to view, it was easy to discover that he was not only a man of strong faith and guileless purity of character, but that the desire to advance the kingdom of Christ was the controlling passion of his life; and to those who knew him best it was no surprise that who knew him best it was no surprise that the intoxication of political life, and the absorbing duties of the chief executive of a great State did not silence his voice in the pulpit, or diminish his ardor in his chosen calling. The life of Brother Chase was a consecrated one, and belonged wholly to his heavenly Master, and this was the key to all his doing.

"Nor can less be said of his heroic wife, stood with them when, in the glory of her I stood with them when, in the glory of her youth, she was smitten by an illness that laid her future in desolation and filled her life with an abiding sorrow, shutting out forever the light of day. No word of repining fell from her lips. Her husband had not yet entered the ministry. The calling was one that was destined to bring her much that was trying in her helpless condition, yet she, in self-forgetting devotion to the cause she loved, heartly joined him in taking the step. How patiently, now taking the step. How patiently, now heroically, how well she has done her part those will testify who have, in every congregation with whom he has labored, been witnesses of her nobility of character. All heroism is not proclaimed in storied

been witnesses of her nobility of character.
All heroism is not proclaimed in storied page.
"Upon this woman has now fallen a great disaster. Widowhood means much—

the same as those published in recent years, corrected to show the present precinct and ward boundaries. The State map shows the new congressional, senatorial and representative districts.

more than those can ever know who have not tasted its bitterness, but, added to the other great misfortune of her life, how

much it means only she can tell out of her silent sorrow and desolation. That she will never speak her sorrows makes them the more worthy to be heard. None can heal them but He who makes the blind to see and breaks the seal of the tomb. ELUCIDATION AND REVIEW OF IN-TERNATIONAL LESSON, AUG. 4.

"And now to these misfortunes shall there be added that of the want of the comforts of life? Shall this be the answer that the

Disciples of Christ shall make to the mute

appeal of that womanly life, for thirty years giving itself away on the altar of

Christian service? Christ comes to us in

the widowed-in the smitten. Let us not

"It is a noisy world and it is often hard

for the heart and conscience to hear, but let us try to stand in the hush of the soul

at the grave of that noble man, and then at the threshold of that smitten home and

listen. We shall hear the voice of God call-

At 2 p. m. the State Ministerial Associa-

tion began its convention, Joseph Franklin of Bedford, being the president. The presi-

dent delivered his annual address, in which

he reviewed the work of the past briefly

and devoted the remainder of his paper to

suggestions for the future work. A number

subjects, and at 3:45 W. W. Witmer, of

This morning at 8:30 President McGarvey will deliver the last of his series of lec-

tures on "The Bible's Account of Itself."

To-night a concert will be given by the

CHAUTAUQUA DAY AT ACTON.

Dr. Sims Preaches a Sermon and De-

livers a Lecture.

was "The Morning Star of the Reforma-

mate with the greatest politicians of the

The Morning Star of the Reformation."

the white friars and the grey friars, aft-

er eleven years of watching for an oppor-tunity to strike Wyckliffe, brought him to trial, the auditors were almost in pain with

versity examined the long list of charges made against Wyckliffe and to the humilia-

tion of his accusers declared that his doc-

and liable to be misinterpreted, were true, and permissible, and Wyckliffe was in

structed to remain at Oxford and pursue

When, after a third trial, this champion of truth was forsaken by his friends, his abilities were given to sending the gospel

and to teach on the highways or the com-

could induce men to listen. The story was

told so tenderly to them that people be-

of Christ and they were ready to die for

The career of John Wyckliffe ended when he was sixty-four years of age and

his death was caused by a stroke of paraly-

sis, which came while he was administer-

ing the sacrament, on St. Thomas day,

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon about sixty

Chautauquans gathered at the band stand

near the hotel and marched down Railroad

pavilion. Soon the Chautauqua songs were

noating out over the camp and in a few

Sims was again the speaker of the oc-

casion, but his theme was in contrast to

by saying, a caricature has value for its

truthfulness. It is a magnified image of a truth. The Irishman, the Dutchman,

John Bull and the Yankee, were each pre-sented in their national characteristics, il-

typical American believes in himself," the speaker said. "He knows himself. He will

undertake any business without ever hav-ing learned it. He is at home everywhere,

is never abashed and always wants to

know. Americans as a people are adven-turous, migratory and lacking in venera-tion. They care nothing for the past,

which is evidenced in the fact that there

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"New England constantly and persistent-

ly impresses its importance and peculiari-

ties upon the country. The man of Puritan ancestors believes in himself, his God and his Bible. He would rather ask a blessing a half-hour long through his nose than submit to a formula. Nothing was

side. They could burn witches, hang Quakers or drive out Baptists in the middle

of the winter, but this was their personal

"In England every man is as good as any other man if he is as well behaved and

as well born. The typical American is saturated with the spirit of manhood equality. We indicate our familiarity with

our President or ex-President by calling

them by their first names. Any attempt

The Chautauqua recognition service be gan with an address by the State president, Mrs. Dr. Gatch, of Lawrenceburg, which was a statement of the objects and

accomplishments of the Chautauqua idea.

"The Chautauqua system of education has become one of the great factors of the world," she said. "The C. L. S. C. is a school at home for busy people who left school years ago. It gives glimpses of

science, physical and mental, of literature,

of history, of language. Next year will be given to the study of America and will deal largely with the development of the

United States. Do not think you can get out of the papers or magazines the knowledge obtainable in the books of this course.

If you wish to do a fine piece of werk, something you want to keep all your life, you would not even think of the cost of

your tools, you would select carefully those best suited for the purpose.
"Two hundred and twenty-five thousand

students have enrolled their names under Chautauqua's banner. They are from every land. They believe in the Bible as the

The "Round Table" was in charge of Rev. D. B. Robertson, of Brightwood, and

elicited great interest and brought forth

many practical talks from the members of the assembly, out of which grew valuable plans for the future.

Officers were elected for the following year as follows:

President, J. W. Maxwell, Indianapolis; vice president, A. V. P. Adams, Shelby-ville; secretary, Mrs. R. H. Robertson,

Brightwood; corresponding secretary, Mrs. M. Gooding, Greenfield; treasurer, Dr. J.

was elected delegate to the convention of Chautauqua workers, to be held at Lake

To-day will be a continuation of Chautau-

qua exercises. Dr. T. I. Coultas will speak at 2 o'clock on "Among the Alps and in

at 2 o'clock on "Among the Alps and in Sunny Italy." Mrs. A. V. P. Adams, Mrs. Pierce and others will speak at 4 o'clock. Sunday the pulpit will be filled by Rev. C. W. Linsly, of Rushville, in the forenoon. Dr. T. I. Coultas will preach in the afternoon and Dr. J. S. Jenckes at night. Rev. J. W. Maxwell spoke last night on "The Benefit of the C. L. S. C. Work." The chorus choir from Grace Church, of this circ will sing at the morning and

this city, will sing at the morning and

New Political Maps.

political maps last night. The city map is

Dashlel, Indianapolis. Mrs. Dr. Gatch

revealed word of God.

Chautauqua, Aug. 21, 1895.

afternoon services to-morrow.

to establish an aristocracy only excites rid-

numents commemorative of early

lustrated by laughable incidents.

the new faith.

and political tyranny of the papacy.

miss him in His visitation.

and will report to-day.

the Chautauqua idea.

The Report of the Spies, as Told in Numbers xiii, Verses 17-33-The Israelites Found Wanting.

By REV. JAMES E. GILBERT, D. D., Secretary of the American Society of Religious Education.

(These lessons constitute the Sundayschool extension department of the above named society. All who study them are requested to send their names, postoffice address and denomination, mentioning this paper, to the author at Washington, D. C., for enrollment.)

CONTEXT.-In the journey from Sinal to

Paran, the beginnig of which was sketched in the last lesson, Israel halted twice, once New Castle, delivered a sermon, and last night S. H. Creighton, of Crawfordsville, at Taberah and once at Hazeroth. At the preached. The committees were appointed first named place the people complained, and many were destroyed by fire. (Numb. xi, 1-3.) Having become weary of manna they sighed for animal food, and quails were sent, of which they are so freely that Bethany College Pierians, an organization which has achieved no little success in the many died. (Numb. xi, 33.) To relieve the labor of Moses seventy elders were appointed, and the spirit of God was given to them as to him. Through jealousy Aaron and Miriam raised a sedition against Moses at Hazeroth, claiming that they were en-All the routine services of Acton Camp | titled to exercise authority as much as he, were set aside yesterday for the Chautau- but complaining most of his Ethiopian qua programme, except the morning praise wife. (Numb. xii, 1.) For this offense meeting and the cottage prayer meeting | Miriam was stricken with leprosy and shut of the evening. The tabernacle was pro- out of the camp for seven days, but was fusely decorated with oak boughs and an healed in answer to the prayer of Moses. eager audience crowded the front seats to (Numb. xii, 10-14.) From Hazeroth the hear Dr. Sims at 10:30. He made some journey was through a weary land. (Deut. preliminary remarks in commendation of i, 19.) Our present lesson pertains to an incident after the camp was established The subject of the lecture as announced in Paran. (Numb. xii, 16.)

GEOGRAPHY .- The term wilderness, fretion," which his hearers soon determined | quently used in Scripture (Matt. vi, 1), does was a figurative term for John Wychliffe, not always signify a wild and desolate the first protestant against the spiritual region. It is nearly synonymous with our word country denoting a sparsely inhabit-"We shall lose no interest in the story ed section. The wilderness or country of because it is nearly six hundred years old," Paran, for many centuries the home of the said the speaker. "The life of a brave, Ishmaelites, lay along the southern border true man is always a precious treasure of the promised land. It was bounded on the and its faithful record becomes an inher- east by Edom, the possession of the deitance of the succeeding ages, which makes | scendants of Esau (Gen. xxxvi, 43), and on the world richer." As Dr. Sims followed the west it stretched toward Egypt with the life of the great reformer, from his indefinite limits. Some parts of Paran were birth, in the midst of social and educa- barren wastes; others were fertile, affordplace of preacher to the King, and inti- the lofty ranges were beautiful valleys. It day, his auditors realized that the daring Israel to its inheritance by the most direct scholar of Oxford is entitled to be called and expeditious route through Paran. Folpecting, after reconnoitering, to advance sympathy for the accused, but a sigh of satisfaction went up from the audience as and take possession. (Deut. i, 20.)

Dr. Sims said: "The chancellor of the uni-SPIES.-Before entering Canaan, twelve men, one from each tribe (Numb. xiii, 4-16). met and battles fought. Besides, God had directed this preliminary advance (Numb. xiii, 1, 2), for reasons which will appear in His poor priests went out in russet gowns and sandals, with copies of Wyckliffe's works or portions of the Bible to preach the sequel. Withal, there was a popular demand (Deut. i, 22), showing that the government was not autocratic, nor yet purely theocratic, but to some extent democratic forth to exercise a right denied to the whole heathen world—the right to judge It was an exhibition of the spirit of personal liberty, born of the sense of moral responsibility which had been quickened under the new regime. The Israelites were no longer slaves. Having escaped from bondage (Deut. vi, 12), they purposed

to enter their new home as freemen.

ORDERS.—Definite instructions were given to the spies before their departure.

They were directed to ascend the mountain, from which they might look northward, a view but little less inviting than that afterward granted to Moses from the top of Pisgah. (Deut. xxxiv, 1.) Thence they were told to walk through the land, taking careful note of the cities, the fields, the inhabitants, indeed, everything that would enable them to render a full and accurate account. (Verses 17-19.) The chief object of that visitation was to determine the method or route of entrance and the best plan of settlement. (Deut. i, 22.) A survey was needed that the boundaries and homes of the different tribes might be fixed, advantageously to themselves (Deut. xii, 10, 11), and wisely for the general good. And yet, as dangers were cure to beset the movements of such a prospecting party, they were charged to be of good courage. (Verse 20.) They left at the time of the first ripe grapes, June, B. C., 1490, and were absent forty days. (Verse 25.)

COUNTRY.—It is impossible to give the itinerary of the spies. Scholars believe that they passed directly through from south to north, probably a little distance west of the Jordan. The extreme point mentioned was Rehob (Josh. xix, 28), northwest of the sea of Galllee, on a line with west of the sea of Galllee, on a line with the city of Tyre, about two hundred miles in a right line from Kadesh-Barnea. They crossed many beautiful valleys, among them the plain of Esdraelon, where Jacob's than submit to a formula. Nothing was sacred to the original Puritan, though it had been crystallized by the world's best thought for a thousand years. These self-sufficient ancestors gave us the spirit of political independence. They sought liberty the history of Israel. (II Sam. v. 3.) Thence bearing eastward and passing through the far-famed valley of Eschol (Numb. xxii, 9), they returned to camp. This exploration, so thoroughly conducted, made an agreeable impression upon the minds of men who lived in Egypt and in the wilderness. They were entirely satisfied with the country. (Deut. vi. 10, 11.) By its extent, its situation, its variety of climate, its hills and valleys, its rivers and lakes, it was eminently adapted to be the home of God's

PRODUCTS .- Egypt was the land of corn

(Gen. xlii, 9), the granary of the world. The spies, who had seen little of agriculure except in the wheat fields of the Nile bottom lands, were astonished at the productions of the country through which they passed. It was, indeed, a fat land (Neh, ix, 25), flowing with milk and honey, as had been promised. (Ex. iii, 8.) There was not only variety and abundance, but excellence of quality. On reaching the valley of Eschol they found the grape, the pomegranite and the fig. surpassing any-thing they had ever known. The fruit was so large that they cut off branches and bore them upon poles as samples for the delight of their countrymen. At this day travelers speak in high terms of the fruits of that locality, although more than thirty centuries have passed, and an inferior civilization has been established by a less ilization has been established by a less thrifty people. What must have been presented before the astonished eyes of the twelve Israelites we can scarcely imagine.

PEOPLE.—This land, which God proposed to give to Israel, which, in fact, He had by promise conveyed to Abraham and his posterity (Gen. xili, 15), was densely populated at this time. There were several tribes or nations who had held the country for many centuries; they were the descendants of Ham. (Gen. x. 6, 15-18.) They are sometimes mentioned in history under the comprehensive title of Canaanites, but in other cases the various tribal names—Philistines, prehensive title of Canaanites, but in other cases the various tribal names—Philistines, Hittites, Hivites, Jebusites, Perizzites, Gergashites—are given. Judging from their skill in war (Josh. xvii, 16), and the number and strength of their cities (Josh. vi. 2), they must have attained an advanced civilization. Why should they be dispossessed? It may be replied that the earth is the Lord's (Psalm xxiv. D, and that He appoints the habitations of men. (Acts xvii, 26.) A better answer would be that the Canaanites once served God, for Milchizedek, who was of the same stock, was His priest (Gen. xiv. 18), but that they had repriest (Gen. xiv. 18), but that they had re-lapsed into idolatry, and God proposed on that account to give their lands to a people who would serve Him. (Dan. ii, 21.)
REPORT.—Entering the camp at Kadesh-REPORT.—Entering the camp at Kadesh-Barnea, the spies presented the clusters of fruit and proceeded in glowing terms to relate what they had seen. Concerning the country and its productions they were unanimous. (Verse 27.) But when the practical question arose, how to enter and possess, for the solution of which they had gone out, they were divided. Ten of them had lost all their courage, because they had seen 'the sons of the Anakims,' men of prodigious size. In whose presents they seen 'the sons of the Anakims," men of prodigious size, in whose presence they seemed to be but grasshoppers. "We are not able to go up against these people," they said, "for they are stronger than we." A murmur of disappointment passed through the assembly as these words were uttered; but Caleb, in whose opinion Joshua concurred (Numb. xiv. 6), the representatives of Ephraim and Judah (Numb. xiii, 6, 8).

stilled the people and said, "Let us go up at

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spreading throughout the camp, Israel abandoned the purpose to enter the new home, and turned back to wander in the wilderness. (Deut. i, 26, 35-36.)

CONCLUSION.—The people were tested and found wanting. They were not ready for Canaan. Notwithstanding the many splendid achievements under divine guidance during the past year (Ex. xiii, 3), they had not yet learned to trust in God. They expected success in their own strength expected success in their own strength (Dan. iv. 30), and their hope departed in the presence of obstacles. God could not use them. He must raise up another generation, schooled by half a century, or longer time, if necessary (2 Pet. iii, 8), to do His service. So has it been in all nations and ages. Men have failed to reach their pos-sibilities because they have not looked for-

sibilities because they have not looked forward (Psalm exxi, 1), nor grasped the hand that is omnipotent. (Heb, viii, 9.) On the threshold of a glorious future, because of "giants in the way," they have turned back from golden fields and luscious fruits, the free gifts of Heaven, to wandering, to hunger and weariness, and to ignominious graves. The Calebs and the Joshuas, of whom we shall hear again are the more whom we shall hear again, are the men who win victory and make history. (Psalm exxxviii, 3, 7-8.)

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